



CAU 2651

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANTS: Taniguchi, et al. EXAMINER: N. Hindi  
SERIAL NO.: 09/675,074 GROUP: 2651  
FILED: September 28, 2000 CASE NO.: 09792909-4642  
ENTITLED: Optical Pickup Device With a Plurality of Laser Couplers

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

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Dear Sir:

- ☒ Transmitted herewith is an Amendment.  
☐ No additional fee is required for additional Independent, Dependent or Multiple Dependent Claims.  
☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is attached for additional Independent, Dependent or Multiple Dependent Claims.  
☐ A Petition for a \_\_\_ month Extension of Time.  
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					Small Entity		or	Other Than A Small Entity	
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously	Present Extra	Rate	Addit. Fee		Rate	Addit. Fee
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Indep.	3	Minus	3	0	x 39 =	\$ 0		x 78 =	\$0
<input type="checkbox"/> First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim					x 130 =	\$ 0		x 260 =	\$0
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- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-3140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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Response and Amendment "B" to  
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Sir:

This amendment is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action, mailed June 7, 2001, in the above-identified application, and allowing three months for response. This amendment is timely because it is being filed within the time period set for response.

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 46, 51, 58, 59, 60, 64, 69, 74, 76, 81, 85, 89, and 91 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter therein.

The claims are consolidated below for convenience:

48. (Amended) A composite optical device comprising:

a first light emitting element having a first read/write specification;

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